Hamilton County, Indiana

Proposed Amendment to the 2019 Action Plan

Hamilton County's 2019-2023 Consolidated Plan details the funding strategy for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), for the period between October 1, 2019 and September 30, 2024. The program year (PY) 2019 (FY 2019/20) Action Plan outlines the implementation of 2019 funding, which is developed through significant public input, analyses, and planning.

The County's Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) describes the efforts that the County will take to encourage its residents to participate in developing these plans. It also provides requirements for public process when a "substantial amendment" to the Action Plan is proposed. The following changes constitute a substantial amendment and require public notice as described in the CPP:

- Changes to priorities in how funds are allocated;
- Use of federal funds to undertake an activity not previously described in the action plan;
- Changes in the use of CDBG funds from one eligible activity to another if such changes exceed 10% of the total allocation of the County for the year.

However, due to COVID-19, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has issued guidance that that waives the Citizen Participation Plan requirements for entitlement recipients, provided that (1) no fewer than five days are provided for public comment and that (2) reasonable notice and the opportunity to comment is provided.

Additionally, HUD has awarded supplemental funding through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) that requires programming in the PY 2019 Action Plan. As such the following changes (*bolded and italicized*) shall be made to the PY 2019 Action Plan:

1: Expected Resources

Original Plan:

Hamilton County will use Community Development Block Grant funds as the primary source of funding for projects. The funding may seem large, but \$1,032,481 per year does not spread out far enough to meet the demand of affordable housing and social services.

Program	Source	Uses of Funds	Expec	ted Amoun	t Available Yo	ear 5	Expected	Narrative Description
	of		Annual	Program	Prior Year	Total:	Amount	
	Funds		Allocation:	Income:	Resources:	\$	Available	
			\$	\$	\$		Remainder	
							of ConPlan	
							\$	
		Acquisition Admin and Planning						
CDBG	public - federal	Economic Development Housing Public	1,032,481	0	205,575	1,238,056	\$ 1,238,056	Funding will be used to address the priorities and goals identified in this plan.
		Improvements Public Services						

Amended Plan:

Hamilton County will use Community Development Block Grant funds as the primary source of funding for projects. The funding may seem large, but \$1,032,481 per year does not spread out far enough to meet the demand of affordable housing and social services.

2019 CARES Act Amendment: Hamilton County wishes to amend its program year 2019 Action Plan to allocate \$637,715 in Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funding received from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act or the CARES Act in order to respond to coronavirus (COVID-19) impacts in the community. The funding, allocated in May 2020, will go to address needs as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amour		nt Available Year 3		Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan	Narrative Description
			Annual	Program	Prior Year	Total:	\$	
			Allocation:	Income: \$	Resources:	\$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	1,032,481	0	205,575	1,238,056	\$ 1,238,056	Funding will be used to address the priorities and goals identified in this plan.

CDBG - CV	public - federal	Acquisition, Admin and Planning, Economic Development, Housing, and Public Services	<i>\$637,715</i>	0	0	<i>\$637,715</i>	0	Prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.
--------------	------------------------	---	------------------	---	---	------------------	---	---

2: Annual Goals

Original Plan:

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order		Year	Year		Area			
1	Affordable Housing	2019	2023	Affordable	County wide	Affordable	CDBG:	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated:
				Housing		Housing	\$200,000	16 Household Housing Unit
2	Public Services	2019	2023	Non-Housing	County wide	Public Services	CDBG:	Public service activities other than
				Community			\$147,872	Low/Moderate Income Housing
				Development				Benefit: 3989 Persons Assisted
3	Public	2019	2023	Non-Homeless	County wide	Public	CDBG:	Public Facility or Infrastructure
	Infrastructure and			Special Needs		Infrastructure and	\$412,992	Activities other than Low/Moderate
	Facility			Non-Housing		Facility		Income Housing Benefit: 30 Persons
	Improvements			Community		Improvement		Assisted
				Development				Overnight/Emergency
								Shelter/Transitional Housing Beds
								added: 20 Beds
4	Homeless	2019	2023	Homeless	County wide	Homeless	CDBG:	Homelessness Prevention: 50
	Assistance					Assistance	\$7,000	Persons Assisted
5	Administration and	2019	2023	Administration	County wide	Administration and	CDBG:	Other: 1 Other
	Planning			and Planning		Planning	\$185,847	

Amended Plan:

Sort	Goal Name	Start	End	Category	Geographic	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
Order		Year	Year		Area			
1	Affordable Housing	2019	2023	Affordable	County wide	Affordable	CDBG:	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated:
				Housing		Housing	\$200,000	16 Household Housing Unit
2	Public Services	2019	2023	Non-Housing	County wide	Public Services	CDBG:	Public service activities other
				Community			\$147,872	than Low/Moderate Income
				Development				Housing Benefit: 10,425 Persons
							CDBG-	Assisted
							CV:	
							<i>\$637,715</i>	
3	Public	2019	2023	Non-Homeless	County wide	Public	CDBG:	Public Facility or Infrastructure
	Infrastructure and			Special Needs		Infrastructure and	\$412,992	Activities other than Low/Moderate
	Facility			Non-Housing		Facility		Income Housing Benefit: 30 Persons
	Improvements			Community		Improvement		Assisted
				Development				Overnight/Emergency
								Shelter/Transitional Housing Beds
								added: 20 Beds
4	Homeless	2019	2023	Homeless	County wide	Homeless	CDBG:	Homelessness Prevention: 50
	Assistance					Assistance	\$7,000	Persons Assisted
5	Administration and	2019	2023	Administration	County wide	Administration and	CDBG:	Other: 1 Other
	Planning			and Planning		Planning	\$185,847	

3: 2019 Projects

Original Plan:

#	Project Name	CDBG Allocation		
1	Administration and Fair Housing	\$185,847		
2	Carmel Infrastructure	\$132,468		
3	Fishers Infrastructure	\$132,259		
4	Noblesville Infrastructure	\$89,436		
5	Westfield Infrastructure	\$58,830		
6	Family Promise of Hamilton County	\$7,000		
7	Good Samaritan Network	\$41,300		
8	Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank	\$15,221		
9	HOPE Clinic	\$7,000		
10	Meals on Wheels	\$7,200		
11	Prevail	\$10,000		
12	Shepherd's Center	\$15,000		
13	13 Trinity Free Clinic			
14	14 HAND Home Repair Partnership			
15	15 County Stormwater Improvements			
16	Social Services	\$32,151		

Amended Plan:

#	Project Name	CDBG Allocation	CDBG - CV Allocation	Total CDBG
1	Administration and Fair Housing	\$185,847		\$185,847
2	Carmel Infrastructure	\$132,468		\$132,468
3	Fishers Infrastructure	\$132,259		\$132,259
4	Noblesville Infrastructure	\$89,436		\$89,436
5	Westfield Infrastructure	\$58,830		\$58,830
6	Family Promise of Hamilton County	\$7,000		\$7,000
7	Good Samaritan Network	\$41,300		\$41,300
8	Hamilton County Harvest Food Bank	\$15,221		\$15,221
9	HOPE Clinic	\$7,000		\$7,000
10	Meals on Wheels	\$7,200	\$25,200	\$32,400
11	Prevail	\$10,000		\$10,000
12	Shepherd's Center	\$15,000		\$15,000
13	Trinity Free Clinic	\$20,000		\$20,000
14	HAND Home Repair Partnership	\$200,000		\$200,000
15	County Stormwater Improvements	\$284,344		\$284,344
16	Social Services	\$32,151		\$32,151
17	CV - Family Promise of Hamilton County - Basic Needs		\$10,000	\$10,000
18	CV - Fishers Youth Assistance Program		\$50,000	\$50,000
19	CV - Good Samaritan Network - Food Assistance		\$54,415	\$54,415
20	CV - Hamilton County Trustees - Rent, Utility and Burial Assistance		\$400,000	\$400,000
21	CV - Merciful H.E.L.P. Center		\$63,100	\$63,100
22	CV - Shepherd's Center		\$35,000	\$35,000
	Total	\$1,238,056	\$637,715	\$1,875,771

Project Summary Information

10	Project Name	Meals on Wheels					
	Target Area	County wide					
	Goals Supported	Public Services					
	Needs Addressed	Public Services					
	Funding	CDBG: \$7,200					
		CDBG - CV: \$25,200					
	Description	Meals on Wheels will provide hot meals that are prepared and delivered to Hamilton County seniors. Participating Seniors do not qualify for assistance through Medicaid or CICOA. Meals are prepared to meet individual client needs for those who suffer from chronic illness or disease. Activity is for reimbursement of the cost of meals. Meals on Wheels will deliver meals directly to low- and moderate-income individuals. Addresses vary throughout Hamilton County. CDBG activity is eligible as Senior Services; Reimbursement of the cost of hot meals.					
	Target Date	3/1/2021					
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	\$7,200/\$4.95 Cost per Meal = 1,454 Meals / 261 Delivery Days per year = Minimum 5 individuals provided meals. Hot \$4.95/meal, Cold \$2.75/meal, Frozen \$6.00/meal. 21 days; average number of					
	nom the proposed detivities	weekdays delivered monthly = \$104/Hot and \$58/cold = \$162/month (rounded up). 98 day: weekend days in grant year \$48/month. \$210/per person/month x 6 months = \$1,260.00 x 20 people = \$25,200.00					
	Location Description	Meals on Wheels will deliver meals directly to low- and moderate-income individuals. Addresses vary throughout Hamilton County.					
	Planned Activities	Senior Services; Reimbursement of the cost of hot meals.					
17	Project Name	CV - Family Promise of Hamilton County - Basic Needs					
	Target Area	County wide					

	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG – CV: \$10,000
	Description	Project will provide funds for basic needs assistance (i.e. internet, car repairs, phone service, and childcare). Applicants would receive a maximum of \$250 in assistance. Assistance could be given as a one-time payment to a vendor or could be spread out over three consecutive months to the vendors. This is part of the CDBG CARES Act funds.
	Target Date	3/1/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The project will benefit 60 families and 100 individuals.
	Location Description	PO Box 2073, Noblesville, IN 46061
	Planned Activities	Program will serve up to 60 families with financial assistance to help offset financial struggles due to the effects of the coronavirus
18	Project Name	CV - Fishers Youth Assistance Program
	Target Area	County wide
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG – CV: \$50,000
	Description	Fishers Youth Assistance Program's Summer Meals Program - Meals are provided throughout the summer months to children who are on Free and Reduced lunch program at HSE Schools. Meals are prepared in a central location and families participating will be able to pick up their meals each week. For families unable to pick up, program volunteers will deliver the weekly meals/food. This is an ongoing program they have been operating, but the COVID-19 pandemic has created a significantly larger need in the community. Funds constitute part of the CARES Act funding.
	Target Date	3/1/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The project will benefit 700 people.

	Location Description	2728 E 171st St, Westfield, IN 46074			
	Planned Activities	Reimbursement for food for the Summer Meal program for children who are on Free and Reduced lunch program at HSE Schools. The program runs from May to August.			
19	Project Name	CV – Good Samaritan Network – Food Assistance			
	Target Area	County wide			
	Goals Supported	Public Services			
	Needs Addressed	Public Services			
	Funding	CDBG – CV: \$54,415			
	Description	Reimbursement for food for school BackSack and Lunch programs for June, July & August (\$16,800.00 per month for 3 months totaling \$50,400.00) and additional Admin to handle the increase client services due to COVID-19 (\$2800). Funds constitute part of the CARES Act funding.			
	Target Date	3/1/2021			
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The project will benefit 1,576 people.			
	Location Description	12933 Parkside Dr, Fishers, IN 46038			
	Planned Activities	GSN will procure and transport food for BackSack programs at 2 HC schools, running into and through the summer: Westfield Student Impact Program and Noblesville Fueled for School Program. From March 17- April 24 Applicant supplied Westfield Student Impact Program with 219,000 lbs of food and Noblesville Fueled for School Program with 401,000 lbs of food (serving 788 children).			
20	Project Name	CV – Hamilton County Trustees			
	Target Area	County wide			
	Goals Supported	Public Services			
	Needs Addressed	Public Services			
	Funding	CDBG – CV: \$400,000			

	Description	The Hamilton County Trustees Association (HCTA) will to distribute funds to the nine townships in Hamilton County (Adams, Clay, Delaware, Fall Creek, Jackson, Noblesville, Westfield Washington, Wayne, and White River) to assist with housing and utility stabilization and burial assistance for low or moderate households during the COVID-19 pandemic. Funds constitute part of the CARES Act funding.
	Target Date	3/1/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The project will benefit 3,120 people.
	Location Description	1549 E Greyhound Pass, Carmel, IN 46032
	Planned Activities	For the nine Townships, the projected units of services provided are: 518 households to receive rent assistance, 642 households for utility assistance, and 70 households to receive burial assistance.
21	Project Name	CV – Merciful H.E.L.P. Center
	Target Area	County wide
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG - CV: \$63,100
	Description	Organization will utilize funding to pay for partial cost of 3 programs experiencing additional need: Food packages for families, food back sacks for children during the school pandemic closing, and meals for children during the summer. Funds constitute part of the CARES Act funding.
	Target Date	3/1/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The project will benefit 800 people.
	Location Description	1045 W 146th St, Carmel, IN 46032
	Planned Activities	Merciful H.E.L.P. Center will provide the following: 571 family food packages, 660 two-day back sacks, 660 eight-day back sacks, 803 weekly summer meal packs. Applicant will serve 800 individuals and 270 unduplicated households.
22	Project Name	CV – Shepherd's Center of Hamilton County

Target Area	County wide
Goals Supported	Public Services
Needs Addressed	Public Services
Funding	CDBG – CV: \$35,000
Description	Organization will utilize funding to deliver care packages to eligible Hamilton County seniors. Care packages include fresh food, perishable food, non-perishable food, cleaning supplies, personal care items, and medical supplies that have been specifically requested by the senior. Funds constitute part of the CARES Act funding.
Target Date	3/1/2021
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The project will benefit 120 people.
Location Description	347 S 8th St Suite B, Noblesville, IN 46060
Planned Activities	Shepherd's Center of Hamilton County will deliver approximately 360 care packages from May to August to CDBG eligible Hamilton County Seniors serving 110 households through the end of August.